publication of records on Indo-Soviet relations available in the Archives of both countries.

5.2.9.2.3

Administration

5.2.9.2.3.1

Staffing Pattern on the basis of quantum of record holdings

Resolution by Shri C.B. Pandya:

The Indian Historical Records Commission recommends that the National Archives of India should study the question of staff requirements for Department of Archives in the states as well as departmental record rooms of various sizes depending upon the quantum of record holdings and prescribe a uniform pattern of staffing.

Explanatory Note: National Archives, Government of India has prescribed norms for various item of work to be carried out by the record offices as well as by the Department of Archives. These norms are being followed by the State Archives in the country as authority. On account of adoption of the Archival Policy Resolution the department of Archives has been made responsible for various items of work enumerated in the Archival Policy Resolution. But at the same time proposals for different posts for undertaking various items in record offices as well as in Archives Department viz. filing, indexing, classification, scrutiny of retention schedules, appraisal and review, maintenance, preservation and weeding out of records are being refuted for want of norms for staffing pattern depending upon the quantum of records holdings. It has therefore, become necessary that the National Archives of India should look into the matter and undertake the study and prescribe uniform staffing pattern for various posts for the department of Archives and departmental

record rooms so that it may become easy for convincing the Government for obtaining various posts on the basis of quantum of record holdings.

Standing Committee's Views:

The Resolution does not fall within the purview of the Commission. The mover of the Resolution may refer the matter to the Archival Council which is being constituted by the Government of Gujarat.

5.2.9.2.3.2
Upgrading of the status of Orissa State Archives to that of a Directorate

Resolution by Dr. P.K. Mishra

Resolved that the status of the Orissa State Archives, Bhubaneswar be raised to a Directorate like other State Archives of India.

Explanatory Note: The Orissa State Archives, Bhubaneswar has the necessary infrastructure and accommodation required for a Directorate. Its functioning will be more conducive to the growth of historical research if the status is raised to that of a Directorate, instead of keeping it under the Directorate of Cultural Affairs, Orissa, as is the case at present.

Standing Committee's Views:

The Resolution appears to be beyond the jurisdiction of the Commission and as such the matter could be referred to the Government of Orissa by the mover of the Resolution.